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**BY ECF**

Hon. Philip M. Halpern, District Judge  
United States District for the  
Southern District of New York  
300 Quarropas Street  
White Plains, NY 10601

Application granted.
SO ORDERED. 
Philip M. Halpern United States District Judge
Dated: White Plains, New York July 17, 2023

Re: *United States v. Williams, et al*, Ind. No.22 Cr. 641 (PMH).

Dear Judge Halpern:

I represent Paul Ayala, a defendant in the above case. A status conference is scheduled in the case for July 21<sup>st</sup> at 9:30.

I will be away at a wedding on July 21<sup>st</sup>. Ezra Spilke, counsel to co-defendant Markell Williams, has kindly agreed to stand in for me, and I request that he be permitted to do so.

I have spoken with Mr. Ayala, who does not object to having co-counsel appear for him at the status conference.

Thank you for your attention to this application.

Very truly yours,

/s  
Jesse M. Siegel